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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

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FOR: VITERBI DECODER AND VITERBI DECODING METHOD

CONTINUATION IN PART OF 09/672,904

Enclosed are:

- ☒ 31 pages of specification, claims, abstract.
- ☒ Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- ☒ Priority Claimed.
- ☒ Certified copy of Japanese Patent Application No. 11-281302
- ☒ 17 sheets of formal drawing.
- ☒ An assignment of the invention to MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC INDUSTRIAL CO., LTD.  
and the assignment recordation fee.
- ☒ An associate power of attorney.
- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement, Form PTO-1449 and reference.
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard

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| Independent Claims          | 1                | -3  | 0               | \$84.00 | \$0.00     |
| Multiple Dependent Claim(s) |                  |     |                 |         | \$280.00   |
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